

Public Health Department,
Town Hall,
LLANDUDNO.

February, 1974.

To: The Chairman and Members of the Beaumaris Port Health Committee

Mr.Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my Annual Report for the Year 1973, on the lines of Form Port 20. On the resignation of Mr.W.G.Wyn Pritchard, District Inspector for Beaumaris, on the 31st December, 1972, Mr.J.Lear acted as District Inspector for Beaumaris.

During the Year no cases of Infectious Disease were recorded in the District covered by the Authority and no Smallpox contacts were notified. Routine inspection of Ships was carried out as necessary and all were found to be satisfactory. No complaints of Mussels being unsatisfactory for human consumption have been received from any other Local Authority.

During 1973 the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food issued 86 Circulars under the Public Health (Imported Food) Regulations, 1968.

SECTION 1 - STAFF

Clerk to the Authority	-	Haydn A.Davies (1956)
Medical Officer of Health	-	T.Heber Pierce V.R.D., M.D., Ch.B., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., M.F.C.M., D.P.H., F.R.S.H. (1957)
Chief Port Health Inspector	-	G.W.Outram F.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I. (1944)
District Inspector (Menai Bridge)		J.Lear C.R.S.H. (1967)
" "	(Penmaenmawr)	A.Crowther M.A.P.H.I., M.R.S.H. (1952)
" "	(Beaumaris)	J.Lear C.R.S.H. (1973)
" "	(Conwy)	R.Follett M.A.P.H.I. (1964).

SECTION 11 - TABLE 'B'

Amount of Shipping entering the District during the Year

SHIPS FROM	No.	Tonnage	Number Inspected		No. of Ships reported as having infectious disease on board during voyage.
			By M.O.H.	By P.H.I.	
Foreign Ports	1	199	1	1	-
Coastwise	164	47153	-	16	
Total	165	47532	1	17	

SECTION 111 - TABLE 'C'

Character of Shipping and Trade during the Year

<u>Bangor Corporation Ferry Boats</u>				
<u>Passenger Traffic</u>		<u>PASSENGERS 1973</u>		<u>PASSENGERS 1972</u>
		<u>Adults</u>	<u>Children</u>	<u>Adults</u> <u>Children</u>
Bangor to Beaumris		613	341	275 207
Beaumaris to Dangor		537	285	253 202
Bangor to Menai Bridge		376	242	189 139
Menai Bridge to Bangor		184	106	145 89
Menai Bridge to Beaumaris		551	217	3912 829
Beaumaris to Menai Bridge		1120	645	811 557
<u>Cargo Traffic</u>				
Principal Exports - Slate, Granite and Stone, Wet Fish and Shellfish				
Principal Imports - Timber.				

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No.		Date		Description		Amount	
1		Jan 1		Balance		100.00	
2		Jan 15		Received from A. B. C.		50.00	
3		Jan 30		Received from D. E. F.		25.00	
4		Feb 15		Received from G. H. I.		75.00	
5		Feb 28		Received from J. K. L.		100.00	
6		Mar 15		Received from M. N. O.		150.00	
7		Mar 30		Received from P. Q. R.		200.00	
8		Apr 15		Received from S. T. U.		250.00	
9		Apr 30		Received from V. W. X.		300.00	
10		May 15		Received from Y. Z. A.		350.00	
11		May 30		Received from B. C. D.		400.00	
12		Jun 15		Received from E. F. G.		450.00	
13		Jun 30		Received from H. I. J.		500.00	
14		Jul 15		Received from K. L. M.		550.00	
15		Jul 30		Received from N. O. P.		600.00	
16		Aug 15		Received from Q. R. S.		650.00	
17		Aug 30		Received from T. U. V.		700.00	
18		Sep 15		Received from W. X. Y.		750.00	
19		Sep 30		Received from Z. A. B.		800.00	
20		Oct 15		Received from C. D. E.		850.00	
21		Oct 30		Received from F. G. H.		900.00	
22		Nov 15		Received from I. J. K.		950.00	
23		Nov 30		Received from L. M. N.		1000.00	
24		Dec 15		Received from O. P. Q.		1050.00	
25		Dec 31		Balance		1100.00	

Total Received 1100.00

Total Paid 0.00

Balance 1100.00

Principal Ports from which Ships Arrive:	Fleetwood, Bristol, Manchester, Liverpool and Scandinavia.
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WET FISH AND SHELLFISH (INCLUDING CRABS AND LOBSTERS) INDUSTRY.

The total weight of Wetfish and Shellfish landed at Bangor and Conwy during 1973, compared with previous years, is shown in the following Tables as supplied to me by the Fisheries Officer, North Wales area:-

BANGOR.

	<u>WET FISH</u>		<u>SHELLFISH</u>		<u>TOTALS</u>	
	Cwts.	£.	Cwts.	£.	Cwts.	£.
1969	3511	16949	19204	27721	22715	44670
1970	3676	16264	46175	69637	49851	85631
1971	2251	12939	14692	22038	16943	34977
1972	1629	12131	11600	19538	13229	31669
1973	816	4978	4472	6709	5288	11687
(April-JULY)						

CONWY.

1969	11247	49848	8341	12913	19588	67261
1970	7958	39926	9274	14888	17232	54818
1971	13292	75365	10339	20235	23631	95600
1972	9173	61184	11919	30208	21092	91392
1973	7424	56771	10568	23779	17992	80550

<u>QUEENS</u>	Conwy	10076 cwts.	£57871
	Bangor	4370 cwts.	£23468

SECTION 1V

INLAND BARGE TRAFFIC - NIL

SECTION V

WATER SUPPLY -- NO CHANGE

SECTION VI - PUBLIC HEALTH (SHIPS) REGULATIONS, 1970 - NO CHANGE.

SECTION VII

SMALLPOX - NO CHANGE

SECTION VIII

VENEREAL DISEASES - NO CHANGE

SECTION 1X

CASES OF NOTIFIABLE AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES ON SHIPS - NO CASES REPORTED

SECTION X

OBSERVATIONS ON THE OCCURRENCE OF MALARIA IN SHIPS.

Most foreign vessels come from North European Ports, therefore, Malarial cases are rare.

SECTION XI

SHIPS INFECTED WITH OR SUSPECT FROM PLAGUE - NONE.

SECTION XII

MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS - NO ACTION NECESSARY.

TABLE 'E'

RODENTS DESTROYED DURING THE YEAR IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS - NIL.

TABLE 'F'

DE-RATTING EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES ISSUED DURING THE YEAR FOR SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS - NIL.

SECTION XIIIINSPECTION OF SHIPS FOR NUISANCESTABLE 'G'

Ships and No, of Inspections	NOTICES	SERVED	RESULT OF NOTICES
	STATUTORY	OTHERS	
17	NIL	NIL	-

SECTION XIVPUBLIC HEALTH (SHELLFISH) REGULATIONS, 1934 & 1948NO COMPLAINTS - PROHIBITED AREA STILL IN FORCESECTION XVMEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS (APPLICABLE ONLY TO PORTS APPROVED FOR THE LANDING OF ALIENS) - NOT APPLICABLE.SECTION XVIMISCELLANEOUS - NO CHANGECHIEF PORT HEALTH INSPECTOR'S REPORT 1973

(G.W. OUTRAM F.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.)

The Severnside Oyster Co. (Bangor) Ltd., has been merged with the new Company, Welsh Seafoods Ltd., which has established a new Shellfish Factory at Griffiths Crossing on the Menai Strait between Caernarfon and Port Dinorwic.

The factory at Siliwen, Bangor, has been discontinued and closed down. It is still retained by the new Company as a considerable amount of machinery and equipment is in storage. No decision has yet been made regarding the return of the site to the Bangor Corporation.

There are two mussel dredging vessels belonging to the firm which fish from the beds developed over the years by the Siliwen Factory. The mussels are landed either at Port Penrhyn for cartage by road to the Griffiths Crossing Factory, or are landed on the foreshore by the vessels near the said factory. Until proper jetties are constructed the tides influence the method of delivery.

At the factory the mussels are steam processed and kept in cold storage. Quantities, as required, are bulk packed in acetic acid and sent to a subsidiary firm for bottling.

The Ogwen Fishermen, collectively and singly, continue to collect mussels from areas stated to be outside the perimeter of the "Prescribed Areas", upon which the Beaumaris Port Health Authority made an Order in October, 1948, prohibiting the collection of mussels for raw consumption. The Fishermen have several sources to send the mussels. The Welsh Seafoods take a substantial supply, and fish merchants in the Midlands receive supplies for sale after sterilising treatment, and also for sale as bait.

Vessels which berthed at Penrhyn Dock in Bangor are periodically inspected. These mostly include the sand-carrying vessels of the Hoveringham Co. Ltd.

There was a marked reduction in the arrivals of vessels into Penmaenmawr. This is due to the termination of a long-standing contract which Kingston Minerals (Penmaenmawr Quarries) had with a German firm for supplying chippings etc. for road making in Germany. Consequently, no foreign registered vessels now ship materials from Penmaenmawr.

Your Officers in the various Coastal Zones continue to keep observations on the enforcement of the Port Health Regulations, as far as they affect this Authority.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Yours faithfully,

T. HEBER PIERCE

Port Medical Officer of Health.

